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SUBJECT: CONSULAR PACKAGE FY 1979

REF: STATE 087841

1. OUR FY CONSULAR PACKAGE SUBMISSION FOLLOWS:
2. SCHEDULE 1 IS NOT APPLICABLE AS EDINBURGH ISSUES NO RPT NO IMMIGRANT VISAS. LINE ITEMS 1 THROUGH 14 ARE OMITTED.
3. SCHEDULE 11 - NON IMMIGRANT VISAS:

FY-1976	FY-1977	FY-1978	FY-1979
ACTUAL	ESTIMATE	ESTIMATE	ESTIMATE
10/1/75	10/1/76	10/1/77	10/1/78
TO 9/30/76	TO 9/30/77	TO 9/30/78	TO 9/30/79

15.	41157	40000	41500	43000
16.	229	270	280	290
17.	41386	42070	41780	43290
18.	1711	1667	1667	1667
19.	-	-	-	-
20.	-	-	-	-
21.	1711	1667	1667	1667

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22.	5630	5630	5630	5630
23.	-	-	-	-
24.	750	466	466	466
25.	6380	6096	6096	6096
26.	8091	7763	7806	7763
27.	160.30	190.00	190.00	200.00 DOLS
28.	-	-	-	-

29.	77.00	95.00	110.00	125.00 DOLS
30.	2317	2860	3300	3700
31.	1804	2015	2100	2100
32.	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL
33.	3	7	7	8

4. SCHEDULE 111 - SPECIAL CONSULAR SERVICES:

	FY-1976	FY-1977	FY-1978	FY-1979
	ACTUAL	ESTIMATE	ESTIMATE	ESTIMATE
	10/1/75	10/1/76	10/1/77	10/1/78
	TO 9/30/76	TO 9/30/77	TO 9/30/78	TO 9/30/79

34.	77	85	90	90
35.	11	15	17	20
36.	1272	1285	1300	1350
37.	392	480	600	700
38.	21	25	28	30
39.	37	50	55	60
40.	530	630	750	840
41.	2340	2570	2840	3090
42.	700	710	715	720
43.	0	0	0	0
44.	0	0	0	0
45.	700	710	715	720
46.	2600	2700	2800	2900
47.	0	0	0	0
48.	0	0	0	0
49.	2600	2700	2800	2900

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50.	3300	3410	3515	3620
51.	98			

5. SCHEDULE 1V - CITIZENSHIP AND PASSPORTS:

	FY-1976	FY-1977	FY-1978	FY-1979
	ACTUAL	ESTIMATE	ESTIMATE	ESTIMATE
	10/1/75	10/1/76	10/1/77	10/1/78
	TO 9/30/76	TO 9/30/77	TO 9/30/78	TO 9/30/79

52.	1568	1600	1650	1700
53.	2	2	2	2
54.	1452	1550	1660	1710
55.	135	130	115	100
56.	232	250	280	300
57.	141	150	160	170
58.	308	300	290	280
59.	0	0	0	0
60.	22	25	25	25

61.	3860	4007	4182	4287
62.	0	0	0	0
63.	3860	4007	4182	4287
64.	640	630	625	620
65.	0	0	0	0
66.	0	0	0	0
67.	640	630	625	620
68.	2928	2328	2228	2128
69.	-	-	-	-
70.	-	904	904	904
71.	2928	3232	3132	3032
72.	2568	3862	3757	3652
73.	8310			

74. 2400 INCLUDING 50 FS AND DOD CIVILIAN EMPLOYERS AND
2350 CIVILIAN AND MILITARY DEPENDENTS

75. 14000

VISAS SCS PPT GENERAL TOTAL
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76.	1	0	0	1	2
77.	1	0	0	1	2
78.	1	0	0	1	2
79.	0	0	0	0	0
80.	0	0	0	0	0
81.	3	1	1	1	6
82.	3	1	1	1	6
83.	3	1	1	1	6
84.	0	0	1	0	1
85.	0	0	0	0	0

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SCHEDULE VI

B FRAUD INVESTIGATIONS:

POST REALIZES THAT THERE IS A CERTAIN AMOUNT OF INDIVIDUAL FRAUD AND MISREPRESENTATION IN VISA APPLICATIONS BUT WE HAVE NO REASON TO BELIEVE THAT THERE IS ANY ORGANIZED ACTIVITY IN THIS AREA. THE PROBLEM, WE BELIEVE, IS A RELATIVELY SMALL ONE AND DOES NOT JUSTIFY THE SETTING UP OF A SPECIAL FRAUD UNIT AT THIS POST. CONSULAR OFFICERS DO CHECK THE VALIDITY OF DOCUMENTS THAT APPEAR SUSPICIOUS AND HAVE OCCASIONALLY DETECTED GROSS MISREPRESENTATION AND BORDERLINE FRAUD. HOWEVER, WHEN OVER 40,000 VISAS ARE ISSUED ANNUALLY BY A SINGLE OFFICER WHO HAS SUBSTANTIAL DUTIES IN ADDITION TO HIS VISA RESPONSIBILITIES, IT IS SIMPLY NOT POSSIBLE FOR HIM TO GIVE THE DEGREE OF ATTENTION TO EACH APPLICATION THAT WOULD BE DESIRABLE. IN A SMALL POST SUCH AS OURS THERE IS NO SIMPLE ANSWER TO A PROBLEM LIKE THIS: THE ADDITION OF ANOTHER VISA OFFICER WOULD REPRESENT THE DOUBLING OF THE AMERICAN WORK FORCE IN THIS SECTION WHICH COULD NOT BE JUSTIFIED BY THE WORK LOAD OR ACCOMMODATED BY AVAILABLE OFFICE SPACE.

H. 1. VISA SECTION: A. AMERICAN FSO/FSS - ONE: BECAUSE OF ADDITIONAL NON CONSULAR DUTIES, HE IS ABLE TO DEVOTE SLIGHTLY IN EXCESS OF 2/3 OF HIS TIME TO VISA WORK - EFFECTIVE STRENGTH - UNCLASSIFIED

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2/3 MAN YEAR.

B. LOCAL: FSL - THREE: THIS IS NORMALLY AUGMENTED BY ONE PIT EMPLOYEE DURING SUMMER MONTHS - EFFECTIVE STRENGTH - 3 1/3 MAN YEARS.

2. CONSULAR SECTION - PPT AND SCS

POSITIONS: AMERICAN FSO/FSS - ONE: IN ADDITION TO HIS CONSULAR RESPONSIBILITIES THE OFFICER IN THIS POSITION IS ALSO THE POST ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER. DURING THE REPORTING PERIOD NON-CONSULAR RESPONSIBILITIES TOOK UP APPROXIMATELY ONE THIRD OF HIS TIME WITH THE OTHER TWO THIRDS BEING DIVIDED ROUGHLY EQUALLY BETWEEN SCS AND PASSPORTS. EFFECTIVE STRENGTH: 2/3 MAN YEAR.

B. LOCAL FSL: THREE - PPT: ONE SCS: ONE GEN: ONE (CONSUL'S SECRETARY WHO ALSO RESPONSIBLE FOR NOTARIALS AND SERVICES FOR INS). SINCE OCTOBER 1976 WE HAVE HAD A HALF-DAY PIT EMPLOYEE WORKING EXCLUSIVELY IN PASSPORTS. POSITION AUTHORIZED THROUGH SEPT 30, 1977. EFFECTIVE STRENGTH - 3 1/2 MAN YEAR.

THE CONSULAR SECTION IS ADDITIONALLY CHARGED WITH TWO INCREAS-
INGLY TIME CONSUMING FUNCTIONS NOT NORMALLY ASSOCIATED WITH
THESE SECTIONS AT A LARGER POST. ALTHOUGH THE POST HAS NO
IMMIGRANT VISA SECTION, WE SUPPORT AMEMBASSY LONDON'S SECTION
BY PROVIDING ESSENTIAL INFORMATION, HELPING PEOPLE TO FILL
OUT APPLICATIONS, AND APPROVING IMMIGRANT VISA PETITIONS.
CALLERS REQUESTING GENERAL OR ROUTINE INFORMATION ABOUT
IMMIGRATION ARE REFERRED TO AMEMBASSY LONDON: HOWEVER, AN
INCREASINGLY LARGE PORTION OF THE TIME OF THIS SECTION IS
TAKEN UP COUNSELING AND ASSISTING IMMIGRANT VISA APPLICANTS
WHO ARE EITHER UNWILLING TO DEAL WITH THE EMBASSY OR WHO,
AS THEY CLAIM, ARE UNABLE TO GET THE INFORMATION THEY NEED
FROM THE IV SECTION.

THE CONSULAR SECTION IS ADDITIONALLY CHARGED WITH THE RES-
PONSIBILITY FOR ANSWERING THE VOLUMINOUS CORRESPONDENCE FROM
AMERICAN CITIZENS WHO HAVE INVESTED IN WHISKY WAREHOUSE
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RECEIPTS AND FOR ADVISING AND ASSISTING THEM TO MARKET THE
WHISKY THEY HAVE PURCHASED AT WILDLY INFLATED PRICES.

THIS POST CONSIDERS SUCH ACTIVITIES CONSULAR MATTERS OF
ASSISTANCE TO AMERICAN CITIZENS: EMBASSY, LONDON, WHICH RECEIVES
A SIMILAR VOLUME OF CORRESPONDENCE, CONSIDERS THEM TRADE
DISPUTES AND HAS ASSIGNED RESPONSIBILITY TO THE COMMERCIAL
SECTION. NEITHER OF THESE TWO TIME CONSUMING FUNCTIONS SHOW
UP IN THE STATISTICAL DATA OF THE CONSULAR PACKAGE.

THE TIME OF ONE FSL IS COMPLETELY OCCUPIED WITH PASSPORT MATTERS.
AS EXPLAINED IN OUR 1978 CONSULAR PACKAGE, SHE HAS MORE PASSPORT
WORK THAN SHE IS CAPABLE OF ACCOMPLISHING BY HERSELF. SHE HAS
BEEN GIVEN SUBSTANTIAL ASSISTANCE BY THE OTHER TWO FSL'S
IN THE SECTION, THE RECEPTIONIST/TELEPHONE OPERATOR, AND
OCCASIONALLY THE FSL ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST. THE FOREIGN
SERVICE INSPECTORS IN 1976 RECOGNIZED THAT THE PASSPORT
SPECIALIST WAS OVERWORKED BUT DID NOT FEEL THAT WE HAD
DEMONSTRATED A NEED FOR AN ADDITIONAL FULL TIME EMPLOYEE
BECAUSE THIS WOULD HAVE MEANT THE DOUBLING OF THE FSL STRENGTH
OF THE SECTION. ACCORDINGLY THEY SUGGESTED AND DEPARTMENT
AUTHORIZED A HALF DAY PIT EMPLOYEE TO HELP IN THIS SECTION.
THE ADDITION OF THIS PART TIME POSITION HAS NOT SOLVED THE
PROBLEM AND THE OTHER EMPLOYEES ARE STILL HAVING TO DEVOTE
A SUBSTANTIAL (ALTHOUGH CONSIDERABLY LESS THAN BEFORE)
PORTION OF THEIR TIME TO PASSPORT WORK. POST BELIEVES THAT
IT ESSENTIAL THAT WE BE AUTHORIZED CONVERT PRESENT HALF DAY
PIT TO FULL TIME FSL POSITION FOR FOLLOWING REASONS:

1. WORKLOAD OF OTHER TWO FSL'S IS STEADILY INCREASING AND

THEY CAN NO LONGER AFFORD TO SPEND CONSIDERABLE PORTIONS OF THEIR TIME HELPING OUT THE PASSPORT SECTION. MOREOVER, IT WAS PRIMARILY BECAUSE OF THE INDIVIDUAL EXPERIENCE AND EFFICIENCY OF THE TWO EMPLOYEES IN THE OTHER POSITIONS THAT THEY WERE ABLE TO SPARE THE TIME FROM THEIR OWN WORK TO HELP THE PASSPORT SPECIALIST. BOTH OF THESE EMTWO
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EMPLOYEES HAVE RECENTLY RESIGNED: THE SECRETARY IN FEBRUARY AND THE SCS SPECIALIST THIS MONTH. THE NEW EMPLOYEES WILL PROBABLY TAKE A LONG TIME TO BUILD THE EXPERIENCE AND ATTAIN THE EFFICIENCY OF THEIR PREDECESSORS: THEY WILL, THEREFORE, HAVE EVEN LESS TIME TO DEVOTE TO HELPING THE PASSPORT UNIT.

PLEASE NOTE SCHEDULE VI

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2. THE RECEPTIONIST/TELEPHONE OPERATOR, WHO HAS BEEN RENDERING INCREASINGLY SIGNIFICANT ASSISTANCE TO THE PASSPORT SECTION, ESPECIALLY SINCE MARCH, WILL SOON BE TASKED WITH THE ADDITIONAL RESPONSIBILITY OF MONITORING AND OPERATING OUR SECURITY DOOR /METAL DETECTOR SYSTEM. THIS SYSTEM, DUE TO BE INSTALLED IN

JUNE 1977 WILL ABSORB MOST IF NOT ALL OF HER AVAILABLE TIME WHICH SHE HAS BEEN USING TO ASSIST THE CONSULAR SECTION.

THE SITUATION IN THE SECTION AT THE MOMENT IS CRITICAL AND COLLAPSE IS BEING STAVED OFF ONLY BY DINT OF GREAT EFFORT BY AMERICAN AND LOCAL EMPLOYEES OF THE CONSULAR AND ADMINISTRATIVE SECTIONS. THE PASSPORT SPECIALIST, THE ONLY EXPERIENCED FSL LEFT IN THE SECTION, HAS BEEN ON SICK LEAVE SINCE MARCH 17, 1977 AND WILL LIKELY BE OUT UNTIL JULY OR LONGER. THE SCS SPECIALIST LEFT ON MAY 6 AND BECAUSE OF DELAYS CAUSED BY THE HIRING FREEZE, HIS REPLACEMENT WILL NOT ARRIVE UNTIL MAY 16. THUS WE BEGIN AN UNUSUALLY BUSY SUMMER TOURIST SEASON WITH TWO INEXPERIENCED EMPLOYEES AND ONE PIT IN THE CONSULAR SECTION.

VISA SECTION

THE VISA SECTION HAVE STREAMLINED THEIR OPERATION AND ARE COPING WELL WITH THE SLIGHTLY INCREASED WORKLOAD. TO BETTER COPE WITH THE 95 PER CENT OF APPLICATIONS WHICH COME IN BY UNCLASSIFIED

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MAIL THEY ARE NOW OPEN TO THE VUBLIC ONLY FROM 1300 TO 1600 DAILY, LEAVING THE ENTIRE MORNING TO PROCESS THE MAIL ORDER APPLICATIONS. WE HAVE A SPECIAL MAIL PICKUP AT 1630 AND ALMOST ALL APPLICATIONS RECEIVED IN THE MORNING ARE RETURNED THE SAME DAY.

THE DECREASE IN THE NUMBER OF MANHOURS ESTIMATED FOR THIS AND COMING YEARS FOR THE PIT POSITION IS CAUSED BY THE INABILITY OF THE EMPLOYEE, AN AMERICAN DEPENDENT ATTENDING UNIVERSITY IN THE UNITED STATES, TO START WORK BEFORE THE BEGINNING OF MAY. OUR SUMMER VISA PIT EMPLOYEES HAVE PREVIOUSLY STARTED ON APRIL 1.

AMERICAN POSITIONS

THERE IS NO REQUIREMENT FOR AN ADDITIONAL AMERICAN CONSULAR POSITION FOR THE PRESENT OR FORSEEABLE FUTURE. OUR EFFECTIVE CONSULAR STRENGTH, HOWEVER, COULD BE SUBSTANTIALLY INCREASED IF THE DEPARTMENT WOULD AUTHORIZE THE ADDITIONAL AMERICAN POSITION REQUESTED BY EDINBURGH AND ENDORSED BY AMEMBASSY LONDON IN THEIR 76 LONDON 7500. THE REQUEST WAS TO ESTABLISH A JUNIOR OFFICER POSITION FOR A COMMERCIAL OFFICER. THIS MAN COULD BE TASKED WITH SOME OF THE ADDITIONAL JOBS, INCLUDING SOME COMMERCIAL WORK, WHICH NOW TAKE UP TO 1/3 OF THE AVAILABLE TIME OF THE CONSULAR OFFICERS.

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